



Elaine O. Foley

February 4, 1940 - July 28, 2013

Deerfield, MI—Elaine (Hodge) Foley joined the company of her heavenly family on July 28, 2013, after a brief illness and stay at the Ebeid Hospice Center in Sylvania, Ohio.

Elaine was born and raised in New London, CT on February 4, 1940 and was an active participant in the Girl Scouts of America, both as a child then as a Team Leader. In 1961, Elaine married the love of her life, Captain Jerome “Jerry” P. Foley. They recently celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary. Elaine was a proud Coast Guard wife and more importantly, a mother of 5 children. She always dedicated her life to her faith and her family and as such has an extensive list of those that she loved and cared for and those that loved her, many considering her as a second mother. Elaine received a degree in pastoral ministry in 1985 and was an active church member and spiritual support for family and friends. Her generosity of spirit, loving heart and constant counselor of others was her strongest attribute.

Elaine was pre-deceased by an infant daughter, Mary Elizabeth, her parents, Mary and Gerville Hodge of New London, CT; and her beloved siblings, Diana Trundle of Santa Barbara, CA and Ron Hodge of Bismark, ND.

She is survived by her devoted husband, Captain Jerome Foley (USCG Ret.); her children, Stephen (Karen) of Strongsville, OH, Christine (Lori) of Cleveland, OH, Michael of Toledo, OH, Cathleen Steirer (Andrew) of Sylvania, OH and Sean (Ariela) of Ridgefield Park, NJ; and five grandchildren, Matthew, Jacob and Nathan Foley of Strongsville, OH and Samantha and Benjamin

Steirer of Sylvania, OH.

There will be a visitation from 11 am to 2 pm at Light of Christ Church, Deerfield, MI, on Thursday, August 1, 2013, followed immediately by the Funeral Mass, with Rev. Russ Lowe as celebrant.

Elaine will return to her hometown of New London, CT to be buried in a private ceremony at St. Mary's Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Cherry Street Mission, the Salvation Army or Ebeid Hospice. Envelopes will be available at the church. Online condolences to the family are welcomed at www.WagleyFuneralHome.com

Tribute Wall



“ Elaine O. Foley

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ Dear Foley Family... D. and I were so sorry to hear about Elaine. She was such a gracious lady with a smile for all. I was blessed to be able to be a second Mom to her baby "Sean". Also to spend time on the ball field with Chris who stared out calling me Mrs. Moore because her Mom would not want her to call me Ruth. Such a loss for you Jerry, as I could see when Sean was married, she is the love of your life. Please except our thoughts and prayers. Hopefully she will be a second Mom to our Jim in heaven.

Ruth Moore - August 05, 2013 at 07:17 PM



Dear Ruth, thank you so much for your kind words! This was so unexpected and life will never ever be the same! We are struggling to cope but are managing day by day. My Mom was a great second Mom to many, so your Jim will be loved by her as well! Life is so precious so stay well and keep your loved ones close! Take care my old friend!
Chris

christine foley - September 09, 2013 at 01:33 PM



“ Chris, I'm very sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. Peace to you and your family during this difficult time. Lisa B

lisa - July 30, 2013 at 07:48 AM

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Lisa, thank you for your sympathies. I know you know how I feel and I am so sorry for your loss as well. I have faith that their lights will continue to shine down on our lives! Take good care old friend! Chris

christine foley - September 09, 2013 at 01:25 PM